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In re application of : BOX: AF  
SANDER ET AL. : Group Art Unit: 1616  
Serial No.: 09/581,847 : Examiner: J. PAK  
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For: METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR COMBATting INSECTS AND VIRUSES  
TRANSMITTED TO PLANTS THEREBY

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 8, 2002, it is requested that the  
above-identified application be amended as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend claims 18, 20, 22, 23, 25, 27, 29, 30 and 31 to read as follows (a marked up  
version of the amended claims is in an appendix attached hereto):

18. (Amended) A method for protecting a growing plant from insects and from  
insect-transmitted plant viruses, which comprises applying to at least one surface of the  
growing plant, a composition comprising at least one pearl luster pigment and at least one  
agriculturally acceptable diluent, carrier or adjuvant, whereby said composition is suitable for

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